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Washington, DC - Congressman Bruce Braley (D-Iowa) announced \$132,716 in grant money today for Waterloo and the Ryan Volunteer Fire Department. These grants are part of the 2009 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program.

"The firefighters in Waterloo and Ryan have generously and bravely committed their time to keeping their community safe," Braley said. "This money will provide them with safety gear and tools necessary to continue to do their job and protect families in Iowa."

AFG grants are distributed through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Fire Administration.

The grants are allocated as follows:

Waterloo Fire Rescue: \$124,266 for purchasing safety equipment such as face pieces, air masks and portable air-supply systems

Ryan Volunteer Fire Department: \$8,450 for firefighter training programs and to purchase new fire hoses